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REPLY TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF

Sir:

This Reply is submitted in accordance with MPEP1205.03 responsive to receipt of NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF (form PTOL-462) mail-dated August 31, 2006. The time for reply extends through October 31, 2006 under a one month extension of time for which a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 is hereby made. Please charge the fee for such petition to deposit account number 07-2347.

Such NOTIFICATION advised: "The independent claims 1, 8, 14, 19, 24 are not mapped to the specification by page and line number, paragraph number or to the drawings, if any."

In accordance with MPEP 1205.03:

"When the Office holds the brief to be defective solely due to appellant's failure to provide a summary of the claimed subject matter as required by 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v), *an entire new brief need not, and should not, be filed*. Rather, a paper providing a summary of the claimed subject matter as required by 37 C.F.R. 31.37(c)(1)(v) will suffice." (emphasis added)

Accordingly, Appellant submits such paper herewith, providing the requested mapping between the independent claims and the specification paragraph number and drawings, starting on page 3

hereof. The mapping is necessarily exemplary because support for the claims, in general, is distributed throughout the specification and drawings. In other words, it is possible that more than the particular Figs. and specification paragraphs provided herewith may be applicable to, and descriptive of, particular claim elements.

**V. SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER - SUPPLEMENT
(INDEPENDENT CLAIMS MAP)**

1. A method of handling a call at an application server (200, Figs. 3-5 and ¶'s [0023], [0025] - [0027], [0030] - [0032]; 200, Figs. 7-8 and ¶'s [0036] - [0037]; 302/312, Fig. 9 and ¶'s [0042], [0044] - [0045]) connected outside a public switched telephone network (PSTN) and offering one or more services, the method comprising:

receiving (¶ [0026]) information corresponding to said call at the application server outside the PSTN, the information including data identifying (¶'s [0028], [0032]) a subscriber of said one or more of services offered by the application server;

based on the information corresponding to the call, selecting a domain policy (¶'s [0028] - [0029]), the domain policy applying to a set of subscribers (¶'s [0023], [0024]); and

handling the call in accordance with the selected domain policy (¶'s [0029], [0037], [0038]).

8. A method of providing call services at an application server (200, Figs. 3-5 and ¶'s [0023], [0025] - [0027], [0030] - [0032]; 200, Figs. 7-8 and ¶'s [0036] - [0037]; 302/312, Fig. 9 and ¶'s [0042], [0044] - [0045]) connected outside a public switched telephone network (PSTN), the method comprising:

defining a set of at least two domains (Fig. 7; ¶ [0036]), at least some of the domains having a domain policy (¶[0037]);

receiving information corresponding to a call at the application server outside the PSTN (Fig. 8, ¶ [0037]);

determining one or more domains that apply to the call (¶'s [0037] - [0041]); and

applying policies associated with the determined domains to the call (¶'s [0037] - [0041]).

14. An application server (200, Figs. 3-5 and ¶'s [0023], [0025] - [0027], [0030] - [0032]; 200, Figs. 7-8 and ¶'s [0036] - [0037]; 302/312, Fig. 9 and ¶'s [0042], [0044] - [0045]) connected outside a public switched telephone network (PSTN), comprising:

one or more aggregation domains (¶'s [0035] - [0041]), at least some of the domains having an associated authorization policy (¶'s [0035] - [0041]); and

a domain mapper (210, Figs. 3-5, 7-8 and ¶ [0028]) that identifies one or more domains based on call information (¶ [0026]) received by the application server outside the PSTN.

19. A computer program product (506, Fig. 11), disposed on a computer readable medium (504/508, Fig. 11), for providing call services at an application server (200, Figs. 3-5 and ¶'s [0023], [0025] - [0027], [0030] - [0032]; 200, Figs. 7-8 and ¶'s [0036] - [0037]; 302/312, Fig. 9 and ¶'s [0042], [0044] - [0045]) connected outside a public switched telephone network (PSTN), the computer program including instructions for causing a processor to:

define a set of more than one domains, at least some of the domains having a domain policy (*Fig. 7, ¶[0036]*);

receive information corresponding to a call received at the application server outside the PSTN (*Fig. 8, ¶[0037]*);

determine one or more domains that apply to the call (*¶'s [0037] - [0041]*); and

apply policies associated with the determined domains to the call (*¶'s [0037] - [0041]*).

24. A method of handling calls at an application server (*200, Figs. 3-5 and ¶'s [0023], [0025] - [0027], [0030] - [0032]; 200, Figs. 7-8 and ¶'s [0036] - [0037]; 302/312, Fig. 9 and ¶'s [0042], [0044] - [0045]*) connected outside a public switched telephone network (PSTN) and offering one or more call services to customers of one or more telecommunications service providers, said method comprising:

receiving (*¶ [0026]*) information corresponding to said calls at said application server outside the PSTN, said information for each one of said calls including data identifying (*¶'s [0028], [0032]*) a subscriber of said one or more telecommunications service providers and of one or more of said call services offered by said application server;

selecting a domain policy (*¶'s [0028] - [0029]*) for said each one of said calls, based on the information corresponding to said calls to obtain a selected domain policy for said each one of said calls, each said selected domain policy applying to a set of subscribers (*¶'s [0023] - [0024]*) of one of said one or more telecommunications service providers (*¶ [0023]*); and

handling each of said calls in accordance with said selected domain policy (*¶'s [0029] [0037] - [0038]*).

CONCLUSION

Appellant believes that it has fully responded to the NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF and respectfully requests that this SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER - SUPPLEMENT (INDEPENDENT CLAIMS MAP) be added to the Appeal Brief filed in this application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 07-2347 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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